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Re: *Rodney G. Smith v. Coastal Oil New England, Inc. and
El Paso Merchant-Energy Petroleum Company
Civil Action No. 04-12568-MEL*

MASSACHUSETTS

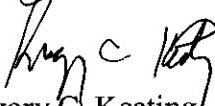
Dear Sir or Madam:

MINNESOTA

This letter is to advise the Court that the parties have settled the above-entitled matter. A Stipulation of Dismissal will be forthcoming in the near future.

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Very truly yours,


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